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CONSERVATIVES LIKELY TO TRY TO SPRING SURPRISE

The Schuman Plan Debate

London, June 25.
The Conservatives will spring a major surprise on the Labour Government in Parliament tomorrow by the length they are prepared to go to secure Britain's participation in the Schuman Plan talks, political quarters here predicted tonight.

The Schuman Plan discussion on Monday and Tuesday was described in all parties as having bigger implications than any foreign affairs debate since the war.

The general expectation is that the six-vote majority Government—which it defeated in Tuesday's Schuman Plan vote—would be overthrown—will win a narrow victory.

But in political circles it was recognised that the debate—the first great clash between the Government and the Opposition on foreign policy—might foreshadow the end of bipartisan working on foreign policy affairs.

The Government has welcomed the plan but pointed out that until more is known about it Britain cannot commit herself to pooling her steel and coal under a "high authority."

The Government has moved an amendment asking Parliament to approve the Government's declared readiness to take a constructive part in the negotiations.

It was clear tonight that both the Government and the Opposition have rallied their whole following solidly behind them for this unprecedented foreign policy collision.

TORY OPINION
On the Labour side it can be assumed that even the handful of "individualists" whose vote was hitherto problematical will "vote with the side."

The three outstanding Members in this category are Mr. Richard Crossman, leader of the "Keep Left" group, Mr. Ian Mikardo, and Mr. G. MacKay, the foremost protagonist of European unity.

It was equally certain that the personal enthusiasm of Mr. Winston Churchill has had a

EDITORIAL

Neutrality Not Practical

THIS notion that a neutral Western Europe is practical politics is still entertained by certain national leaders, particularly in France. Europe, it is suggested, should be a separate geographical bloc, a so-called Third Force, independent of East and West. This desire for neutrality, set against the threat of another war, is understandable, but in the present international situation, it is impossible to achieve. It is based on several misconceptions, chief of them being that the cold war concerns only Russia and the United States. French adherents of neutrality argue that if the cold war becomes a shooting war France, as a signatory of the North Atlantic Pact, is bound to be attacked. Yet France (and Western Europe), they believe, is incapable of successful defence except with the help of a re-armed Germany—and that they refuse to contemplate. In any case, the cost of another collision involving Russia and the West would be so heavy that it would ruin Western Europe economically and make it a breeding ground for Communism. Therefore it is better to be neutral and concentrate rather on raising living standards. Those who argue for a neutral Germany feel their case to be even stronger. West German membership of the Atlantic community, they insist, would not only increase the tension between East and West; it would make Germany the inevitable battleground of a future war. It would also perpetuate the existing division of the country. Hence Dr. Adenauer and his party, the Christian Democrats, have flirted with the idea of neutrality, as being a policy that seems to look both ways and might help unite Germany. These arguments for neutrality may seem, at first glance, to carry weight. Anyone, however, who examines them will see clearly that they are founded on false assumptions. In the first place, it is simply not true that

Helsinki Anniversary



Practically the whole population turned out for the ceremonies celebrating the 400th anniversary of the foundation of Helsinki. The photo shows the Halkulapetus, the first Finnish Army, taking part in the parade through the streets. (London Express Service).

Persia Defies Russia

Teheran, June 25.
Hussein Ali Khan, the Persian Foreign Minister, today told the Majlis (Parliament) here that Russia's recent note, protesting against alleged oil drilling by an American company near the Soviet frontier, referred to "internal affairs" on which the country would permit no Government to interfere.—Reuter.

the cold war between East and West is no affair of Europe's. This line of thinking usually accompanies the contention that America is responsible for this cold war because she is pursuing an aggressive policy towards Russia into which Europe has been unwillingly dragged. Nothing could be further from the truth. In fact, only the clear nature of Soviet intentions towards the non-Communist countries—and can anyone who has watched Russia since the war doubt what those intentions are?—has caused the United States to come to the defence of Western Europe. It may not be a coincidence that neutralization, as a solution to the German problem, was an idea originally propounded by the Russians. The second questionable assumption made by the "Third Force" advocates is really a piece of wishful thinking. It is assumed that the neutrality of Western Europe would be respected. Yet all the evidence of history points to the contrary. If, say, Germany declared herself neutral, the Soviet Union would at once inform the German Government that it was hardly neutral to exclude Communists from the direction of affairs. There is no reason to suppose that the eventual fate of that Government would be any different from the fate of Dr. Renes, the former President of Czechoslovakia, when faced with the Communist coup of 1948. If there would be little respect for neutrality in time of peace, there would be none at all in time of war. It is, at least, one virtue of that otherwise singularly unfortunate document, the British Labour Party Executive's manifesto on "European Unity", that it does reject the idea of a European Third Force as sterile and dangerous. Strength and unity, between the United States, the Commonwealth and Western Europe, provide the best chance of avoiding war. Peace will not be secured by making Europe neutral.

Pacific Pact Talk Revived By Korean Fighting

Tokyo, June 25.
Australia would play an important role in any Pacific Pact designed to meet the threat of Communist aggression which was dramatically called to the attention of the world today by the declaration of war in Korea, sources close to General Douglas MacArthur said.

General MacArthur has long been in favour of a Pacific Pact, as has been suggested by Australia. It is known here in informed quarters that SCAP would be inclined to accept the overall command of any group which had as its aim the halting of Communism.

General MacArthur has been discussing Pacific strategy during the past week with the U.S. Defense Secretary, Mr. Louis Johnson, and chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Omar Bradley. It is taken for granted here that their talks included the role Australia would play since Mr. Johnson clearly indicated that all of Asia was included in the Asia.

The role of Australia in defence of the democratic way of life, sources close to General MacArthur said, would be great since it is strategically located. If all of Asia went red, the importance of Australia could not be over-emphasised.

NO GROUND

A source close to the Supreme Commander said the general, who went to Australia from the Philippines to begin the fight anew in World War II, is strongly of the opinion that no ground should be given to Communism. Every foot backward

STOP PRESS

Korea Fighting

Mass evacuation of foreigners from Seoul commences at noon. Fighting is taking place about 12 miles from Seoul but the South claims successes farther north. They allege that Russian tanks have been found in North Korean tanks and that Russian ships were used for landings on the coast.—Reuter.

THE KOREA FLASHPOINT

South Mobilising To Meet Invasion: Sharp Counter-Attacks

Seoul, June 25.
North Korean troops with 90 tanks tonight stormed across the Imjin River to attack the main defence line covering Seoul, the capital of South Korea.

An official of the South Korean Government reporting this by telephone to Tokyo, 16 hours after North Korea declared war on the South, said that the defenders were resisting desperately and had knocked out 10 of the tanks.

About 1,000 Northerners had won a foothold across the vital river, the last natural barrier before the capital, he added.

All North-bound trains were packed with troops tonight as the South mobilised to meet the invasion across the 38th Parallel, the frontier dividing the two States, and considered to be one of the "flash-points" in the cold war in the Far East.

Russian-backed North Korea declared war on the South in the early morning after claiming that South Koreans had attacked

three places along the border between the two States.

Northern forces swept over the frontier at dawn, and were reported by American military experts to have captured all territory west of the Imjin River. South Korean defenders were said to be holding the river, which is about 35 miles from Seoul, against tank and artillery attacks.

Colonel W. J. Mahoney, the acting Chief of Staff of the American Military Advisory Group in South Korea, said that the Northerners had also sent in about 3,000 guerrillas to harass the rear of the main South Korean defences.

A South Korean spokesman here estimated the casualties in the first few hours of fighting at 4,000 on each side, but no official figures were available.

The 38th Parallel, arbitrarily fixed as the frontier when the Japanese surrendered in 1945, has been the scene of frontier incidents and tension.

The biggest town to fall today was Ongjin, 92 miles

east of Seoul, on the Uny Ongjin peninsula. Kaeson, a rail centre 40 miles north of Seoul, was also said to have been lost.

PREPARED LINES

The latest reports in Tokyo said that the Southerners had fallen back to their prepared lines on the Imjin River.

Chamdan, just north of the river, was reported to be under heavy bombardment.

There was no further news in Tokyo of a second North Korean column which was driving towards Seoul from the north-east.

Meanwhile, General J. Lawton Collins, the Army's Chief of Staff, arranged to brief the civilian Secretaries of the Army, the Navy and the Air Force on the latest moves while the United Nations Security Council discussed the invasion-bred threat to international peace.

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Foreigners Evacuating Seoul

Seoul, June 25.
The evacuation of American and British dependents from Seoul began at 3 a.m. today with American mission buses, trucks and cars carrying wives, children and a few women employees of the mission who wanted to go to the assembly area outside Seoul.

American officials said it had not been definitely decided which ship or ships would be used to evacuate the group from Inchon harbour but sufficient space would be available.

Most of the single women employees of the mission elected to stay and pitch in to help prepare classified documents for burning. Others manned switchboards and cared for children.

Colonel W.H.S. Wright returned from Japan at 3.20 a.m. today. Two ships, of Chinese and Norwegian registry, were available at Inchon, but it was not yet known if they would be used.

The announcement on evacuation last night said: "All dependents of American personnel and female employees of the mission if they desire, will prepare to be evacuated from Korea at once. Baggage will be limited to what you can carry."—United Press.

AMERICA RUSHING ARMS AID

Washington, June 25.

America today ordered General Douglas MacArthur, the Supreme Allied Commander in Japan, to rush all available armed aid from Japan to South Korea, which is fighting back an invasion from the Communists' "People's Republic" in North Korea.

The order to rush all possible supplies to aid the embattled Koreans came as General Omar Bradley, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, summoned his chiefs to a top-level conference in Washington's Pentagon Headquarters.

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Vast Inland Sea Created

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Ten thousand people are homeless and 15 deaths have so far been reported in Northern New South Wales, where hundreds of square miles of rich farmland have been turned into a vast inland sea by torrential rains over the past fortnight.

The main streets of many big provincial cities are flooded, including Kempsey, which was the victim of the greatest flood disaster in Australian history last August.

Food supplies are running short in many areas and communications have been disrupted. Inter-state train services between Sydney and Brisbane have been disrupted and crops washed away.

A 60-mile an hour gale has driven the coastal freighter, Bunglow, ashore.

No immediate relief is expected as further heavy rain is forecast.—Reuter.



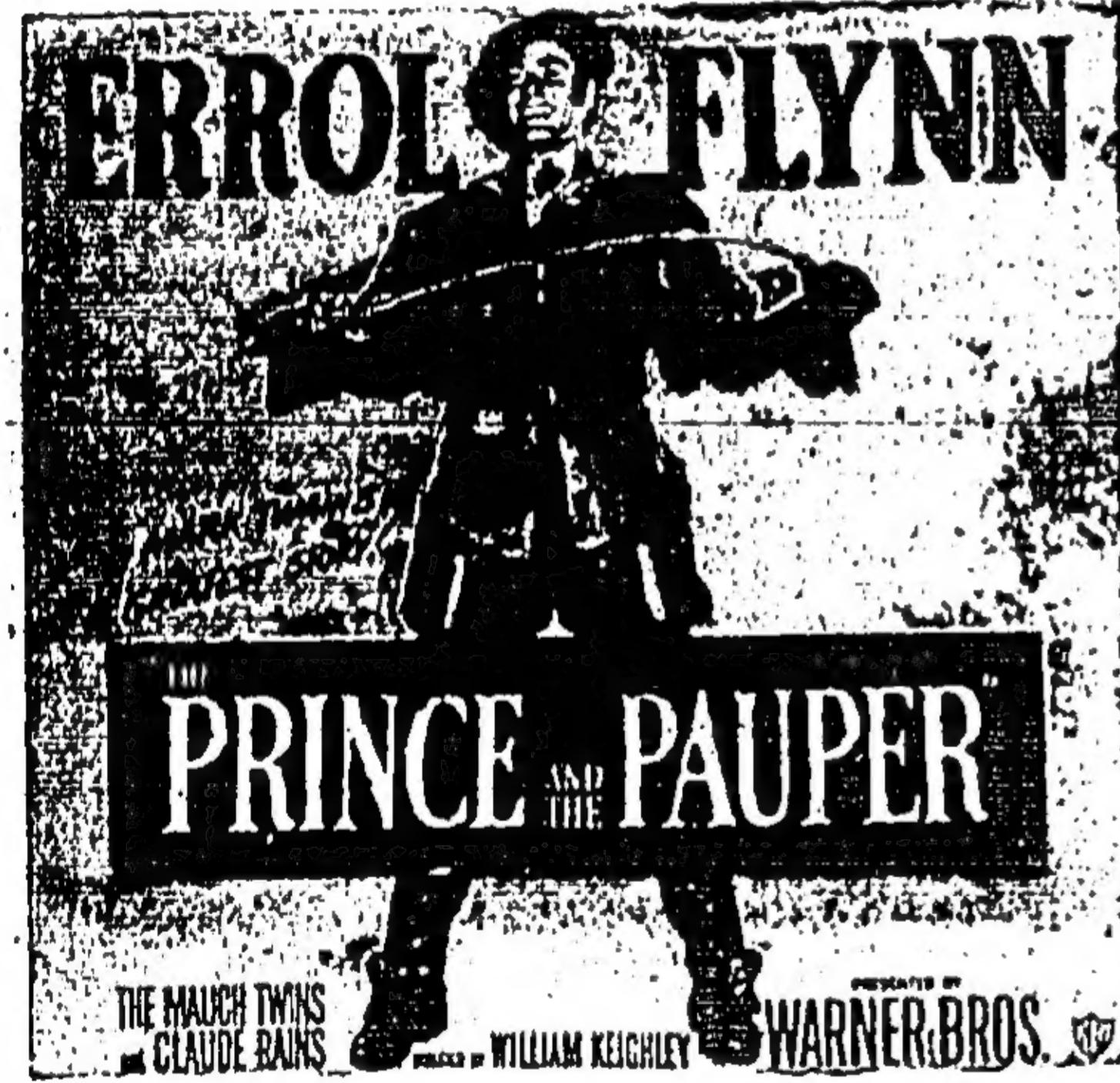
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Further news from Fashion
Fortnight

LONDON. Interest has been displayed this year, and the Board of Trade are pleased that they did not give way to popular opinion last year and abandon the Fashion Fortnight experiment. Buyers from all over the world have come to London for the event, and they are buying British goods, mainly because prices are so much lower, and quality unchanged.

Sophistication

For charm and sophistication, two evening dresses stood out among the hundreds shown. One is illustrated here by Norman Hartnell. He has used a rayon print (technically a crepe-printed bayadere on a two-tone background). Gem embroidery picks up the colours to outline the neck and form a panel. His famous model Dolores is seen wearing this elegant sheath dress with matching elbow-length gloves. We notice that her hair is still collected into an elaborate plaited bun—a style she has never forsaken.

But what of the other events that took place during a crowded ten days?

Anglo-American

An American girl, her small daughter, and a large St Bernard dog helped improve Anglo-American fashion relations. It all began in an unusual way. Wives of American officers and men stationed near London asked an exclusive Bond Street store to provide them with an opportunity to see a selection of high class British merchandise. Sensing in this request a tremendous opportunity for publicising British goods in the dollar market, Brian Finnigan decided to organise a parade of representative London styles in coats, knitwear, leather goods and accessories.

Among the girls showing the clothes was the charming, dark-

Tweed Enthusiasm

The audience, which consisted largely of American wives and daughters, was chiefly enthusiastic about the fine Scottish tweed suits, the man-tailored travelling coats, and the sophisticated silk jersey cocktail dresses. They were more critical about beachwear, but the outfit that will obviously appeal most is one called "Riviera Ravelry." It consisted of a man-tailored jacket falling straight to below the hips, worn over a strapless, boned "bra" and matching shorts. It was made of stone linen, worn with a brilliant silk scarf.

Three young American debutantes carried on trays of leather accessories. The commentator told us the pieces in dollars as well as sterling. And we discovered afterwards that all the models shown had been sold, while in view of some of the very high prices, was an achievement.

A new department opened recently in the famous showroom of Jacqmar.

For the first time in Britain the newest American methods have been adopted to produce a collection of popularly priced tailored suits and coats of couture standard. It was done firstly by arrangement with top ranking London designers, and Vincent Montesano of New York, to produce a number of their models in Jacqmar's vast selection of exclusive materials. Secondly, the Jacqmar workshops were equipped with the latest American machinery and methods for this type of high grade volume production.

It's grand to start from scratch and end up with a good re-modelling job. The fixtures have to stay, save perhaps, for a new medicine cabinet or a lavatory unit. But if the fixtures have to stay—the trick is to add built-in cabinets, shelves, accessories, and to cover up what you do not like.

Good Storage

One good bit of useful camouflage is to build a fitted cabinet around a lavatory basin. If you lack storage space, here is a good place in which to store bathroom supplies, necessities that are so inconvenient stored outside the bathroom. The wood cabinet can be painted or plastic or linoleum covered and made splash proof.

Whether you install a new medicine cabinet or retain the old one, new side lights will make a wonderful improvement.

Converting the Cabinet

Sunken tubs are ideal, of course, but if yours is of the old-fashioned top, with legs, and the budget doesn't allow for a modern tub at the moment, don't be upset. Again, the cabinet comes to the rescue. Build a cabinet around from floor to ceiling to fit tight at the top. Cover it with linoleum and round off the joining of floor and cabinet for a smoothly finished job. But if there is hope of replacing the fixtures walls if they carry the main colour, match the walls to the floor colour.

One excellent method of adding interest and comfort to the bathroom scheme is low partition of glass blocks between tub, lavatory, and toilet or dressing table. A large bathroom lends itself to a pleasant doing-over. One such, we admired, had cabinets with drawers above, installed either side of the lavatory basin, and a splashy corn paper.

Silk shantung outfit.

PURE silk shantung is the fabric of a blouse and skirt costume used in this one that lends itself to a wealth of accessories. It is keyed to the occasion, dress up or casual. The blouse is almost sleeveless, has a convertible neckline, and is box-pleated on either side of the front. The skirt has an inverted box-pleat centre front, and pockets at the hips. The blouse is pale pink and the skirt a deep red, the leather belt an in-between tone, that makes for an interesting colour scheme.



SEEN AT Fashion Fortnight is this evening gown by Hartnell in rayon print.

Seattle Woman Compiles
Book About Weaving

A TECHNICAL book long in the making is moving nearer publication, according to word Mrs Gertrude Greer of Seattle has received from Manual Arts Press of Peoria, Ill., which will bring out her "Adventures in Weaving." Thirty color plates for it are being made in Austria. The book also will contain about 100 photographs and 150 diagrams.

Mrs Greer, a charter member of the Seattle Weavers Guild, spent several years gathering the material, which deals with experimental patterns and fundamentals for beginners. Some of the patterns are her own, others were originated by Seattle friends and many are from other districts. The author's aim was to make her volume regional, relating it closely to the Pacific Northwest and nearby Canada. The book will have about 400 pages. The publisher anticipates its use in universities, high schools and other places where weaving is taught.

ZOE LUND SCHILLER, who was in Seattle recently visiting her family, was to go from Seattle to New York to write the story and lyrics for a musical to be produced at the University of Arkansas in September. While in Seattle she completed research for a novel with a Pacific Northwest setting. She expects to return again by Christmas, by which time she hopes to have the book on the road to completion.

This is the season for blouses. Cool and charming are these shown on this page.

★ Blouses ★



Wardrobe flattery.



ACCESSORIES to complement the summer suit picture include beautiful new blouses, and handsome bag and shoe ensembles. Sheer crepe is used for a tailored blouse with horizontal folds worked into geometric detail. It has short set-in sleeves, and high round neckline. The shoe and bag are fashioned of a new pin-striped leather, this version using fine lines embossed on navy suede. The envelope handbag has a rigid base and weighted covered flap across the flap. The handles slips through brass loops at the sides. The opera pump uses the stripes strategically to bring out the best in its lines.

Use Lemon on Stained Hands



Proper washing plays an important part in hand care. After washing, be sure to apply a little hand cream to combat the drying effect of soap and water.

By HELEN FOLLETT

HAS it suddenly dawned upon you that a change has come—this is terribly important—over your hands, and not for dry thorough, using a soft towel, one that will absorb water quickly. Towels that don't do that are a curse on the land. Make it a practice to use a soothng lotion or hand cream every day of your life.

Keep a cut lemon hands. Use it after preparing vegetables or peeling fruit and you will never have stained thumbs and fingers. Plunge your finger tips into the lemon pulp. You will be surprised to find how quickly they are giving you.

Use warm water and plenty of blind soap. If you have been doing rough work, as all housewives have to do these days, use a nail brush. It is the only way to keep dark lines from appearing in the creases of the nail-buckles. It also will help soften on the cuticle around those pink sheaths on your finger tips, and you'll be able to lift it off gently with the orange wood or using furniture polish.

Don't subject your paws to dirty water, if you would keep the flesh smooth and of fine texture. Wear rubber gloves. They aren't the thick, heavy clumsy things we once had. They are easy to clip on and off. Protection is the great need. Dirt will ruin your hands as it will ruin fine fabrics. Wear cotton gloves when polishing silver or using furniture polish.

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Over the royal palace there flies again the black-and-red flag of Belgium. In the gendarmerie barracks at Etterbeek, when I drove out in the afternoon, mounted troops in gala uniforms and bearskin hats were practising an unaccustomed and ceremonial. "Yes," said the colonel in charge, "it is you who are the royal escort!"

THE CRASH

ANGRY or elated, according to their politics, the men of Brussels await Leopold's arrival "in the first days of July," the Prince de Ligny, head of Belgium's second family, told me. But for the women from Court, dowagers to shopgirls, the "royal question" comes down to whether the Princess de Rethy will dare to show her face in Brussels—except that they do not call her the Princess de Rethy. They call her Mrs Baels.

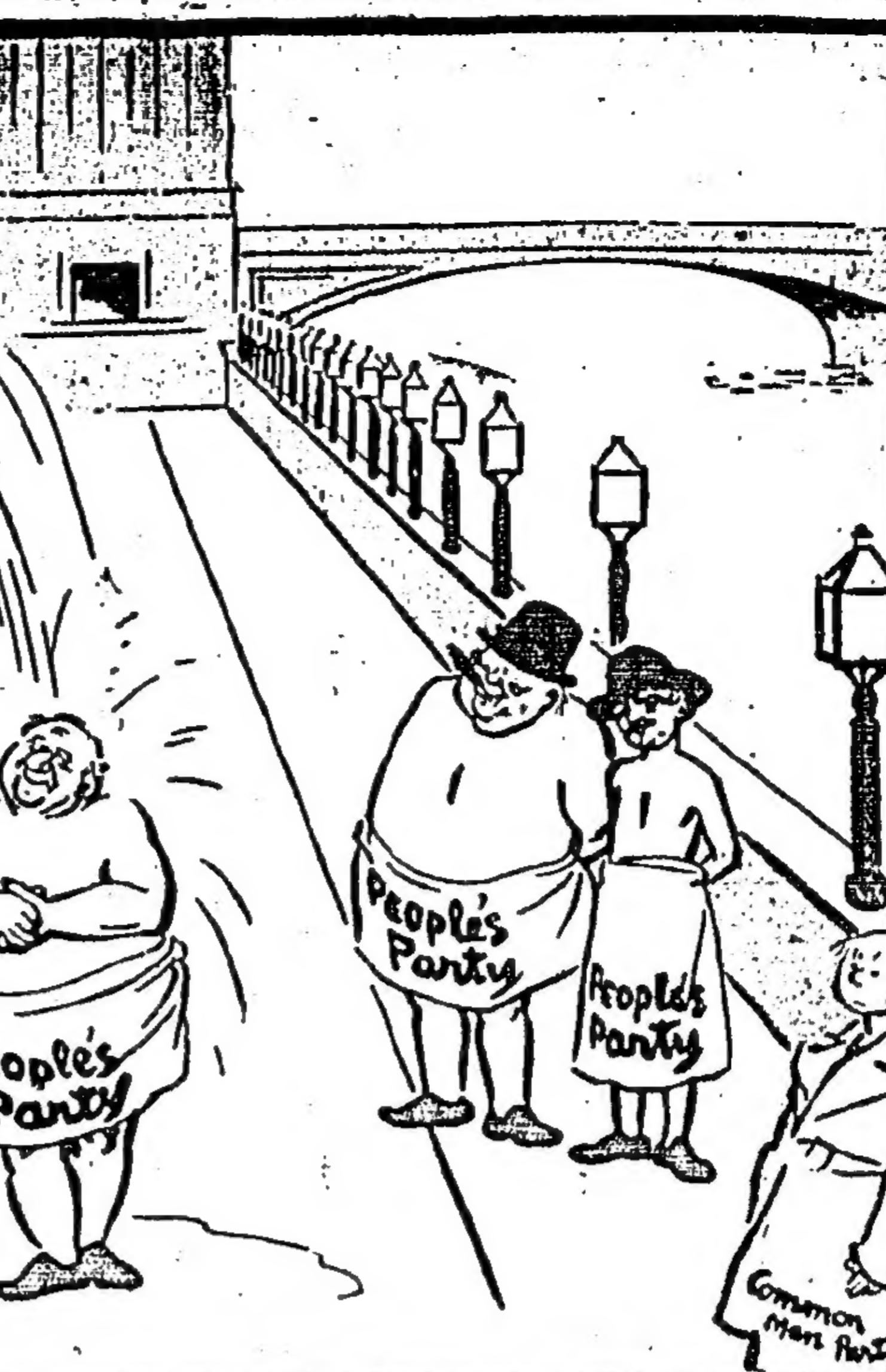
Everyone knows—now—that Mary-Lilliane Baels was born in London during the first world war, had a convent school education first in Highbury, then in Belgium. The nuns still remember her high spirits, her vivacious blue eyes, and jet pigtails.

In 1935 Leopold's young Queen Astrid, beloved by the

COMPLAINTS

WHEN the end of the war found Leopold in Salzburg heavy political complaints were made against him. Despite these he might have flown to Brussels. But he was no longer alone. There was the second wife.

While Leopold wavered, the complaints grew. The king,



WHAT'S IN A NAME?

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Will King Leopold's wife risk the kiss of hate?



by
**CHARLES
FOLEY**

This exotic beauty

women. "Yes, she is pretty enough," a newspaper columnist makes the women say, "but give me a real queen instead" and they glance at the inevitable picture of Queen Astrid.

Once before there was a "Lady of the Palace." Nearly half a century ago Leopold II, married in secret a 16-year-old flower girl, Blanche Delacroix. Her mother was a washerwoman, her father a Rumanian hall porter.

The old king installed Blanche in a villa which communicated with the royal palace by a subterranean passage. He made her a baroness. There were two children.

One day a mob of shrieking women surrounded the lady's coach. They stoned her and tried to drag her out.

The Belgian people have a harsh way with commoners who marry kings. It looks as if Mary-Lilliane will need all her charm and courage in the nation that her husband has divided.

(London Express Service)

IN THE U.S.

THE BITTER HALVES

By C. V. R. THOMPSON

IN Chicago, as in most American cities, policemen are not allowed to belong to a union or strike for higher pay.

But that does not mean that Chicago officials are to escape the issue.

Nearly 500 policemen's wives announced recently that they have formed an association.

Their purpose, according to Mrs Robert Bretag, their president, is to demonstrate on their husbands' behalf.

"We figure the city officials cannot blame us over anything we do," Mrs Bretag told me by telephone. "And sometimes a hundred or so angry dames are more effective than a whole lot of men."

An additional string to the policewives' bow: It will not do the officials much good to call out the police to break up their meetings.

IT HAPPENS here, too. Fares

are going up again soon on

New York's nationalised buses.

The city wants the extra money

SOME ENCHANTED EVENING...

It's the title of a tune that has captured a million hearts, but it might also serve as a milestone for the most successful musical partnership in the theatre since Gilbert and Sullivan.

THE same week that the copyright in the Gilbert and Sullivan scores is announced as "due to lapse this year," the great contemporary words and music team take their bow in London and leave us again.

Mezzo Oscar (words) Hammerstein and Richard (music) Rodgers have ended their ten days' visit to England. They now go to Paris to get in grips with "Anna and the King of Siam," thus plodding on the road which has brought them a hit musical show every two years.

In their two separate success stories now merged into one seemingly long-lived triumph—habit in an outstanding factor.

These men have the habit of

Rodgers is now 47. He is a thick-set grey-haired man who looks the way his colleagues describe him, "the businessman composer." He has written more than a thousand songs in 30 years. In Vienna he recently conducted a concert of his works looked at the lengthy list and asked the first violinist: "How long has this man been dead?"

Lyric writer

HAMMERSTEIN, seven years older, taller, and darker, started first. From the time he decided that he was no great pianist and devoted his attention to the wordy side of songs he has supplied the lyrics for all the great melody men of the day.

Mr

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Rodgers' father, a doctor, delivered the first two Hammerstein children, and Hammerstein's first wife is a distant cousin of Rodgers.

It was inevitable, I imagine, that sooner or later they would get together.

But in the beginning Rodgers had his tie-up with the late Lorenzo Hart (Simple song list: "I Took One Look at You," "Blue Moon," and "Blue Room").

Hammerstein was working with Jerome Kern, Sigmund Romberg, Rudolf Friml (Simple song list: "Show Boat," "New Moon," "Rose Marie").

"Oklahoma!" produced seven years ago, was the first of the new-styled musicals from the Rodgers-Hammerstein partnership.

They could sing "Oh,

RODGERS is a fast worker. He wrote "It's a Grand Night for Singing" (for the film "State Fair") in 20 minutes. "Something I find that if I can't get the tune in half an hour, I can't get it at all."

Hammerstein is inclined to fume about little things. Right now he is worried about one word in the lyric of one of the "Carousel" songs, "What's the Use of Wondering?"

It has a line ending with the word "talk." Says Hammerstein: "I know that singers find it hard to sustain a top note on a harsh-sounding word like 'talk.' It worried me when the show was put on five years ago, and it still worries me—and I still can't find a substitute."

Neither Mrs Hammerstein nor Mrs Rodgers (both women are named Dorothy) ever finds a scrap of melody or a word or two scribbled on bits of paper around the house.

All the work is done in offices in office hours, although Hammerstein, who has a farm in Pennsylvania, does sometimes try out a new lyric on the cows. They probably inspired that reference to cattle standing like statues.

5s. 4d. a time

EVEN in their short-lived days of near-despair there was no starving in Tin Pan Alley either. Both men come from fairly affluent families.

Today they are among those fortunate ones who enjoy their work and get paid handsomely for the results. And all the time those odd royalties from the songs they have been writing through the years keep coming in.

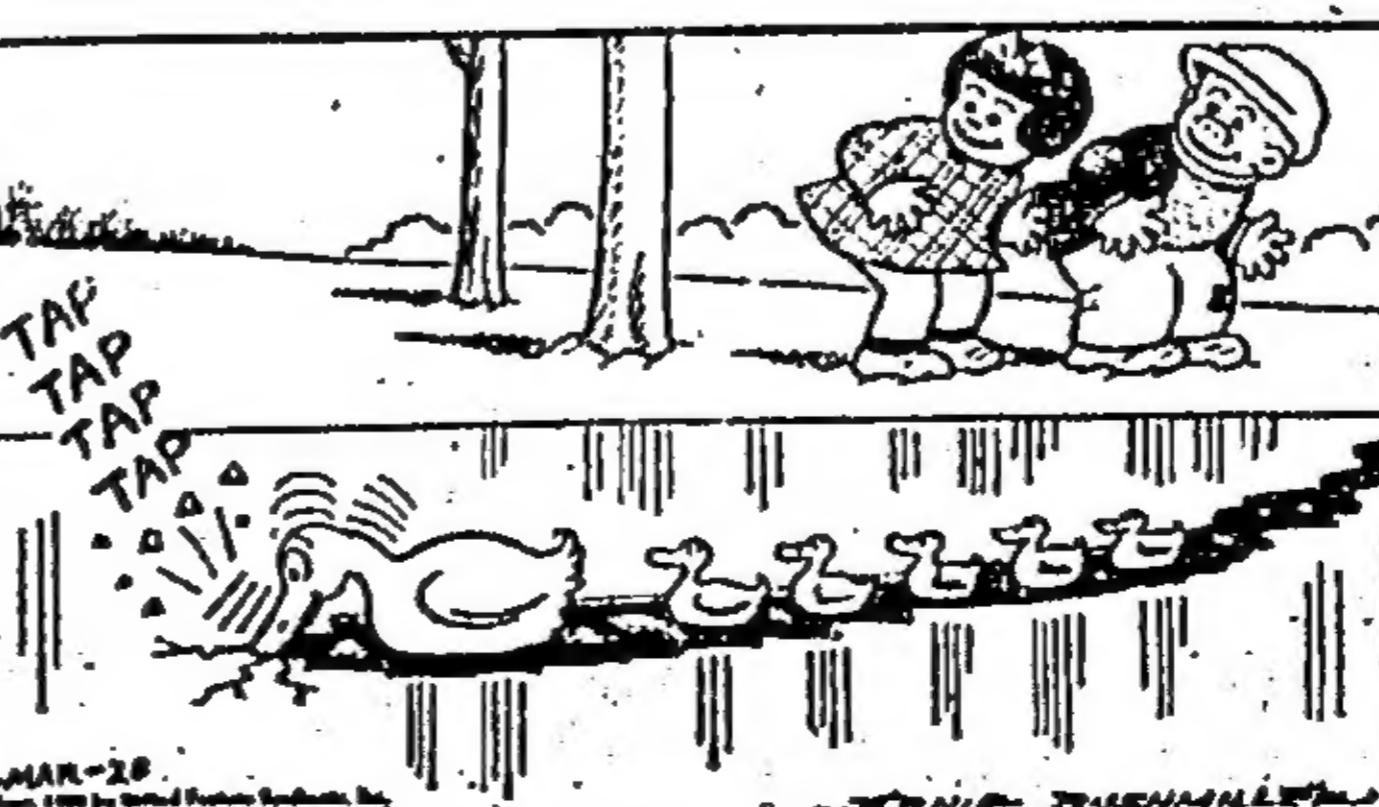
Mr Rodgers, for instance, apart from his many other sources of income, collects 5s. 4d. from the B.B.C. four times every week when "Family Favourites" is aired. His "Song in My Heart," written about 15 years ago, is the signature tune played at the beginning and end of the programme, and he is therefore entitled to 2s-5s of 1s2s. 4d. per broadcast.

And Mr Hammerstein does quite nicely from all those budding busses and bartenders who find that "Ole Man River" never misses, whether it's sung in the Albert Hall or the end-of-the-pier bandstand.

"Title of "South Pacific's" top tune is "Some Enchanted Evening."

(London Express Service)

NANCY Chip Shape



By Ernie Bushmiller



SECURITY COUNCIL CALLS FOR CEASE FIRE

Steamer rammed on Huron

MAN KILLED

Detroit, June 25. The passenger steamer City of Cleveland collided with the Norwegian freighter Ravnfjell on fog-bound Lake Huron today, killing at least one passenger and injuring four. The Coast Guard said two other persons were missing.

The Coast Guard said the freighter rammed into the port side of the big excursion steamer in a pea soup fog shortly after 7 a.m., smashing in four starboard and crushing two lifeboats. The steamer had been en route here with 100 members of the Chamber of Commerce from Benton, Michigan.

The Detroit and Cleveland Navigation Company, owners of the steamer, identified the dead passenger as Alvin Boyd of Benton Harbour. The company said the missing and injured also were from Benton Harbour, but did not identify them. The injured were taken to Harbour Beach Hospital.

IN PYJAMAS

When the freighter rammed the steamer, crewmen guided the pyjama-clad passengers to lifeboats. The steamer's boats, however, did not have to be lowered. The shipping company said the steamer's hull was not damaged below the waterline and she was proceeding to Detroit under her own power.—United Press.

Marlborough House Affair Causes Alarm

London, June 25.

The Home Office and Scotland Yard detectives were discussing this weekend the best methods of improving the protection of Britain's Royal residences following the stabbing of Queen Mary's housekeeper by a man who broke into Marlborough House early yesterday morning.

The Home Secretary, Mr. James Chuter Ede, at the same time, was undertaking to be studying reports of the intrusion into the Dowager Queen's residence.

Lord Claude Mervyn, 61-year-old Comptroller of Queen Mary's household, said today that "every form of protection" was being considered, but so far as he knew, no decision had yet been taken.

Besides Buckingham Palace and Marlborough House, London has three other Royal houses: St James' Palace, Kensington Palace and Clarence House, the home of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh.—Reuter.

Yugoslavia Asks UN Aid

Belgrade, June 25.

Yugoslavia today decided to demand a United Nations investigation of Russia's "economic blockade" of the country. The Yugoslav Parliamentary Foreign Relations Committee decided unanimously to ask the Social and Economic Committee to investigate the "economic blockade" carried out by the Soviet Union and Eastern European countries against Yugoslavia.—United Press.

Search For Plane Held Up

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 25.

Fog blanketing Lake Michigan today held up the air, lake and shore search for an American Northwest Airlines' DC-4 airliner, "presumed lost" with 55 passengers and a crew of three. The loss of the plane—which the airline said was presumed yesterday—would be the nation's worst commercial airline disaster.—Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Hongkong Calling—Programme Summary: 6.02 "Children's Half Hour"; 6.10 "Conductor's Half Hour" (Studio); 6.10 "Portuguese Half Hour" (Studio); 7. "The Richard Tauber Programme" with Richard Tauber, The Melachrino Orchestra—Presented by Bonnie Gibbons (Studio); 8. 6. "World News and News Analysis" (London Relay); 8.15 "I Love You, London" (Studio); 8.45 Linda Carter "Talks on Film"; (Studio); 9. "From the Editorials" (London); 9.15 "Concerto Report"; 9.15 "Concerto"—Concerto in A Major K 218 (Mozart); Jascha Heifetz (Violin); and the London Philharmonic Orchestra—Conducted by Sir John Barbirolli; 9.45 "Test Match Score—England v. the West Indies" (London); 10.15 "Latin American Music" 10.30 "From the Balle" —London Philharmonic Orchestra; 10.45 "Dance to the Beat" by the Band of the Royal Navy Band; 11.15 "Weather Report"; 11.15 "Goodnight Music"; 11.30 "Close down."

"Wholly illegal and unprovoked attack"

RUSSIA BOYCOTTS MEETING

Lake Success, June 25.

The United Nations Security Council today branded the invasion of South Korea from the North as an act of aggression, called for fighting to stop, and ordered the Northern forces back over the border—the 38th Parallel.

Russia was not at the meeting in continuance of her boycott of meetings attended by Nationalist China, and Yugoslavia did not vote.

Nine of the 10 Security Council members present voted for the American-proposed resolution for a cease-fire.

Yugoslavia supported the call for a cease-fire but abstained on the other clauses of the resolution because she wanted North Korea to be heard first.

A Yugoslav proposal to call a Northern Korean representative before the Council was defeated. Voting was Yugoslavia in favour and six against, with Norway, India and Egypt abstaining.

The draft resolution also called upon all members of the United Nations to render every assistance to the United Nations in carrying out of this resolution and to refrain from giving assistance to the North Korean authorities.

The French delegate also supported the American resolution called upon North Korea to cease hostilities immediately and to withdraw their armed forces to the 38th Parallel.

He said he saw two special reasons for his attitude: firstly, because a breach of the peace had been committed and, secondly, because the attacked country was Korea, which was brought to life again by the United Nations.

The delegates from Cuba and Ecuador also supported the American proposal. The Council eventually adjourned until Tuesday.

U.S. leads the way

Earlier, the United States demanded that North Korea withdraw its invading forces from South Korea.

A resolution tabled by Mr. Ernest Gross, the United States representative, also asked that the United Nations Commission in Korea observe the withdrawal to the 38th Parallel—the frontier between the two Koreas—and keep the Security Council informed.

The American resolution called on all members of the Security Council to help the United Nations carry out the cease-fire and "refrain from giving assistance to the North Korean authorities."

Mr. Gross called the outbreak of hostilities "a wholly illegal and unprovoked attack."

Britain supported the American resolution for the cease-fire.

When the Council meeting began its President called attention to a 1948 General Assembly resolution asking the United Nations Korean Commission to report to the United Nations developments which might lead to military complications in Korea.

The Commission was also called upon to give interim reports and he asked Mr. Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary-General, whether he had received any such reports.

Mr. Lie replied that when he had heard reports of the conflict today he had sent telegrams to the United Nations mission in Korea, and had received a reply from the Commission. This reply had been circulated to Council members.

COUNCIL'S DUTY

Mr. Lie said that the report from the Commission made it plain that military actions had been undertaken by Northern Korea in direct violation of the General Assembly's resolution and also in violation of the principles of the United Nations Charter.

In his opinion it was the duty of the Security Council to take steps to establish peace.

The United States representative, Mr. Gross, proposed a draft resolution expressing the Council's "grave concern at the invasion of the Republic of Korea by the armed forces of North Korea" and calling upon the authorities in the North to "cease these activities and to withdraw its forces to the border along the 38th Parallel."

The resolution also asked that the United Nations Korean Commission observe the withdrawal of troops to the 38th Parallel and keep the Security Council informed on the implementation and execution of the resolution.

(Continued from Page 1) position, we cannot comment.

Mr. Churchill will throw his weight behind the Conservative attack line on Tuesday and the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, following, will wind up the debate before the vote.

Mr. Clement Attlee will be the chief Liberal speaker.

One of the many lines developed by the Opposition will be that the Government is not sufficiently supporting a scheme which would help to rehabilitate Germany and bring her together with France in a community of interest that would probably obviate a future clash.

He said, "It seems that it is obviously right that the Council should lose no time in devoting its attention to this grave matter."

"It also seems to me that the draft resolution tabled by the United States representative must settle this case."

Mr. Chang of South Korea denied the invasion as an "all-out attack to destroy our Government and to bring our country under the control of a Communist-dominated, despotic regime."—Reuter.

The Korea Flashpoint

(Continued from Page 1) parate. They needed rifles and ammunition and aircraft.

General MacArthur immediately called a conference of his senior officers with Mr. John Foster Dulles, the United States representative to the State Department, who has just visited Korea.

Silver-painted Yak (Soviet-type) fighters without insignia roared over Seoul this morning, one of them attacking a ground-tying American C-46 aircraft without inuring its 11 journalists.

Colonel Mahoney's report added that the North Koreans had successfully landed troops at "widely separated" points on the east coast of Korea.

AMERICAN EVACUATION?

He said that the Southerners were rushing reinforcements through Seoul for counter-attacks in the Uijonbuk area, about 12 miles north-east of the capital. Unconfirmed reports here say guerrillas have begun to form up at a place about 110 miles south-east of Seoul.

The latest reports of the fighting said that at Chunchon, 48 miles north-east of Seoul, martial law was declared and all vehicles requisitioned to evacuate wounded.

The North Koreans were said to be attacking with a full division supported by heavy artillery.

In Tokyo it was indicated that the planned air evacuation of American citizens had been delayed until more planes were available.—Reuter.

U.S. RESOLUTION

The full text of the American resolution was as follows:

"The Security Council, recalling the findings of the General Assembly in its resolution of October 31, 1949, that the Government of the Republic of South Korea is a lawfully established government, having effective control and jurisdiction over that part of Korea where the United Nations temporary Commission on Korea was able to observe and consult, and where the great majority of the Korean people reside and that this Government is based upon elections which were a valid expression of the free will of the electorate.

"Mindful of the concern expressed by the General Assembly in its resolutions of December 12, 1948, and October 21, 1949, as to the consequences which might follow unless member States refrained from recognizing the United Nations' right to bring about the complete independence and unity of Korea and taking into account that the report of the United Nations Commission on Korea expresses grave concern for the invasion of the Republic of Korea, it is determined that this action constitutes a breach of the peace and calls upon the authorities in North Korea.

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Boxer In Topper



Lee Savold and his manager, Bill Daly, leaving the Mayfair Hotel in London for Ascot on June 15. The boxing champion said that to go to Ascot had been one of his ambitions. (London Express Service).

Truman Cuts Week-end Short

New York, June 25. President Truman after a telephone talk with the Secretary of State, Mr. George E. Acheson, decided suddenly today to cut short his week-end holiday in Missouri and fly to Washington this afternoon.

The change of plan was announced by his press secretary who earlier had stated that the President would remain at Independence until tomorrow and that Mr. Truman was "concerned" but "not alarmed" by the Korean fighting.

Less than 30 minutes later the press secretary said, "The President has three or four important decisions to make. He feels that he should go back to Washington right away."

Mr. Truman, who looked solemn, told reporters at Kansas City airport, "I will not have anything to say until I have all the facts."

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He added that the United States has been put on the spot by the North Korean invasion and Seoul is in the same position as Nationalist China as a victim of Soviet aggression.

Mr. Truman said the invasion should not be a surprise as intelligence reports during the past three weeks indicated that the North Koreans were preparing for an attack. However, it came sooner than expected.

"It is up to the United States to defend South Korean integrity, to demand of all members of the United Nations immediate support of the kind which will help North Korea—under the United Nations as well as United States protection."

Elsewhere high official circles believed that the Korean fighting was inspired by the Russians as a test case to determine how far the United States would go to call the United Nations bluff in a test of arms.

One question asked was, "Where was American intelligence?"—United Press.

KOREA MAY BE SOVIET TEST CASE

Taipei, June 24. The Nationalist Foreign Minister, Mr. George Yeh, told the United Press today that the United Nations delegate, Dr. T. F. Tsang, has been ordered to give full support to South Korea in any action taken by the Security Council.

"Full support of Nationalist China will be given to South Korea in the Security Council as a clear concerto of Soviet aggression."

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COLLISION IN SUEZ BAY

Port Said, June 25. A collision occurred in Suez Bay today between the Wave Princess (8,204 tons), a Fleet auxiliary tanker owned by the British Admiralty, and a Belgian freighter, the Captain Purnat (7,019 tons), owned by the Belgian Maritime Company and registered at Antwerp.

The freighter was in ballast. Superficial damage above the waterline was reported to both vessels.—Reuter.

South appeals to U.S. for arms

Washington, June 25.

The South Korean Republic today urgently appealed to the United States for arms to resist the Communist invasion from the North, a State Department spokesman said.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, received a note from the South Korean Ambassador, Mr. John Myun Chang, embodying the appeal.

Details of the note were not disclosed, nor was there any indication of the State Department's reaction.

Though State Department officials remained silent on the subject, there were strong indications here that the United States had decided to give as much as it can, as fast as it can, in the way of arms aid to Southern Korea.

• FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS •

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Being 'Conservative' Can Produce Constant Losses

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN you do something wrong and the roof promptly falls in on you, it isn't hard to realise that you've made a mistake. But spotting your errors in a bridge game isn't always as easy as that. Sometimes you never know why you are a constant loser, and perhaps you wonder why you are so unlucky.

Maybe it isn't what you're doing, but rather what you're not doing.

East should have opened the bidding with one spade, but he timidly passed, hoping that he would get a chance to bid later on. This is the kind of mistake many players call "being conservative."

South had exactly the same high cards as East, but not as good distribution. Nevertheless, he opened the bidding because he put a high valuation on the first blow.

North's jump to four hearts was a blunder. He wanted to shut the opponents out of the bidding. This type of bid is often made by good players. Now, of course, East did not dare enter the bidding. If his hand was not good enough in his opinion for a bid of one spade, it was certainly not good enough for a bid of four spades!

In the actual play, South lost one spade and two diamonds before gaining the lead. He was lucky enough to fleece for poor East's queen of hearts, and therefore made his game contract.

East has not noticed to this day that the only way he could



AROUND THE WORLD

A Beautiful Oriental City

By TEMPLE MANNING

TODAY, let's take a little tour in and around Kandy, that most beautiful of cities, not only in Ceylon but in the whole Orient.

Let's drive along the shore of the lake on which Kandy is situated, past the charming Victoria Esplanade, a pretty park with much statuary. Opposite is the famed Temple of the Tooth, and immediately adjoining the Temple, the



Sacred elephant of the Temple of the Tooth.

YOUNG BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, JUNE 26

IF you are born today, science and philosophy are likely to be the two subjects that interest you most. You are good at mathematics and your memory is excellent. In addition, the mysterious and the occult hold a fascination for you. You probably would make a fine laboratory technician.

You are a person of firm conviction and you women, especially, are highly idealistic in your search for a life partner. You are born homemakers; you love children, and will make an excellent wife and mother.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

CANCER (June 23-July 23)— Make full use of your talents and your work will show real improvement. Rest and diet are healthful.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)— Inspiration may bring a new idea. Promote it. Plan for the future carefully.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)— Overoptimism can be your downfall. Stick to routine and things turn out better.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)— Late morning hours are best, but expect routine today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)— Business matters should turn out well this morning. Afternoon and evening are poor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)— Avoid disputes and risky ventures. Morning hours are best.

Check Your Knowledge

1. Name four birds that can be trained to talk.

2. Of what element are diamonds composed?

3. Give the plural of bacterium.

4. Name the lake in Switzerland on whose shores many international meetings have taken place.

5. Name the capital of Cuba.

6. Name the Greek god of wine.

(Answers on Page 8)

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lose four spades was the way he chose—not bidding at all. As a matter of fact, East would have made five spades if he took the proper trump finesse.

If East had opened the bidding with one spade, as he should have, his side would surely have reached game. The chances are that North and South would have been out of the bidding entirely.

In other words, East's failure to open the bidding allowed the opponents to score a game when his own side should have made a game. The difference amounted to nearly a thousand points!

At the worst, South might sacrifice by bidding the hearts. If his side ever got into the auction, then East or West could double and collect a penalty of at least 100 points. Even this would be a great deal better than allowing South to make a game at hearts.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

FIVE COLOURED BEADS

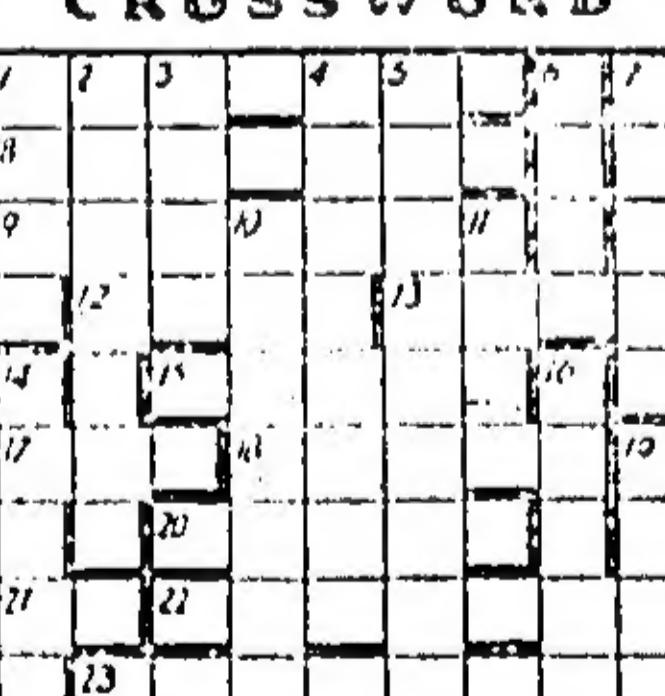
By L. O. HAKE

YOU have a number of beads of the same size and the size of three distinctive colours. Let us assume that the colours are red, green and yellow. You have five beads of each, consisting of five beads. Of the five beads used for each bracelet, two are to be of one colour: two of a second colour; one of a third colour.

How many distinguishable bracelets can be threaded together, for each bracelet may look different when viewed from the other side?

(Solution on Page 8)

CROSSWORD



SECOND STAGE OF SOVIET PLAN IN FAR EAST

Washington, June 25.

Government and diplomatic experts today described the Korean war as the second stage of the Russian campaign to subjugate the entire Far East by means of puppet regimes.

They said the first stage was the Russian conquest of China through the Communist regime. Now the Russians are pushing out from that regime a two-pronged pincer "movement" against other Asiatic states. They said the drive into Korea is one of these.

The other is pushing through Indo-China where the puppet clique under Ho Chi-minh is trying to capture that country. The next big offensive probably will be against Formosa, which lies between the Philippines and Japan.

Some experts forecast an attack there by the middle of August if the present campaign in Korea is successful by that time. The Korean arm of the pincer movement would become a threat to Japan, bringing the Communist forces within 100 miles of that disarmed country.

The Indo-Chinese arm is considered a threat to the entire Southeast Asia "rice bowl," including Burma, Thailand, Malaya and Indonesia. There is even fear that it would run over into India.

Most authorities here acknowledge that the defeat of the South Korean Republic would be a new blow to United States prestige in the Orient. Already America has suffered a "loss of face" because it supported the Nationalist regime of Chiang Kai-shek in China before it fell to the Chinese Communists.

DOUBTS ARISE

Asiatic diplomats have said lately, however, that some doubts are arising as to how far the United States will go in defense of free and democratic governments when they are hit by Communist aggression.

In Europe, the United States has formed an alliance to help to protect such nations from Russia—the North Atlantic Pact. In the Middle East, also, the United States is pledged under the "Truman doctrine" to help nations which want to resist overthrow by the Communists. Some authorities here think that the attack on South Korea will hasten a similar alliance or pledge to countries of Asia.

Australian and New Zealanders, remembering how the Japanese entered into the South Pacific after consolidating their hold on China, are becoming disturbed as they see the possibility of history repeating itself under Kremlin direction.

TWO-PRONGED DRIVE

The Philippine Islands are in the middle of the two-pronged drive and have been anxious for some months, particularly as the rebel movement within the Islands—the Hukhukhappans are known to have received support from the Chinese Communists in the Philippines and possibly from China. Lately, however, the Philippine Army has pushed them back and eased the situation somewhat. They remain a source of danger, nevertheless, in Cagayan valley, according to experts here.

One expert voiced the opinion that the Russians, hiding behind native regimes, will push armed troops into every corner of Asia they can until the United States declares exactly what area it will defend or until the United Nations sends troops to stop them.

It is doubtful if early action along such lines will be taken. But officials see the possibility that the Security Council may authorize some member countries to send military aid to the South Koreans. The United States would be the logical one to act most quickly.

LIMITED FORCES

In Japan, the United States has some forces under General MacArthur as Supreme Commander of Allied Occupation there. But his troops and planes are so limited to their immediate tasks that help from there might not be feasible.

The alternative would be for the United States to rush equipment to Korea under the arms aid programme already voted by the Congress, but the amount allocated to Korea in

ENVOYS PRESENT CREDENTIALS

San Francisco, June 25.

Peking Radio reported tonight that Mr Alex Merch, first Minister Extraordinary and Envoy Plenipotentiary of Denmark to the People's Republic of China, presented credentials to Mr Mao Tse-tung, Chairman of the People's Government, in Peking today.

On presenting his credentials to Mr Mao, he said:

"In the interests of lasting world peace, my Government and the people of Denmark attach particular weight to the maintenance of the good and friendly relations which so happily exist between Denmark and China, and would greet with profound joy and satisfaction the further strengthening of the cultural and commercial ties uniting our two nations."

In his reply, Mr Mao said: "In the efforts to bring about the development of economic relations and the maintenance of world peace, I believe, the people of our two countries have common wishes. The present establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Denmark will undoubtedly strengthen the friendship existing between our two peoples, and, furthermore, will, I hope, assist in the logical one to act most quickly."

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